To Premier Barry O'Farrell.

Please Note the following:

I wish to make a short submission to the discussion paper on changes to regulated logging operations in NSW State Forests.

The discussion paper proposes a range of damaging changes to integrated forestry operations approvals (IFOA), including:

 $\cdot$  weakening protections for our most vulnerable native plants and animals

removing requirements for pre-logging threatened species surveys
removing restrictions on intensive logging operations and clear felling

 $\cdot$  increasing erosion and water pollution risks by allowing logging on very steep slopes.

I am totally opposed to all of the above changes to logging operations in NSW. These changes, if implemented, will cause unnecessary destruction to Native Forests already threatened by needless wood chip logging operations across NSW. These changes will lead to increased erosion and loss of habitat, increased flooding in down stream area, increased sedimentation in waterways and estuaries and increased in carbon pollution.

I believe threatened species logging prescriptions need to be strengthened. Logging operation should be halted for woodchip pulp log extraction and environmental protections increased to protect tourism and threatened species and habitat..

Yours etc.

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